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RESPONSE TO INTERVIEW SUMMARY
STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

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S i r :

This is in response to the Interview Summary dated August 11, 2005.

The Examiner's Summary of the Interview of August 9, 2005 is substantially correct. The discussion was centered about claim 47 and the reference Harada et al.. Counsel pointed out how claim 47 and several other claims were patentable over Harada et al.. Specific emphasis was placed on the distinction between the term "monolithic" and the formation, as in Harada et al., of a piezostack from pre-sintered elements. Further, discussion was had about the possibility of inserting a reference to the fact that applicant's stack is a cofired monolith of various layers.

Further agreement was reached towards the timing and strategy of the continuing prosecution. Applicant's representative requested that the Examiner wait for additional materials, possibly in declaration form, that would yet more definitively emphasize the monolithic structure of the novel stack. The additional submission will be presented shortly.

Respectfully submitted,



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